01-618 ELDRED v. ASHCROFT, ATTORNEY GENERAL

Ruling below: CA DC, 239 F.3d 372.

QUESTIONS PRESENTED:

- I. Did the D.C. Circuit err in holding that Congress has the power under the Copyright Clause to extend retrospectively the term of existing copyrights?
- 2. Is a law that extends the term of existing and future copyrights "categorically immune from challenge[] under the First Amendment"?
- 3. May a circuit court consider arguments raised by amici, different from arguments raised by a party, on a claim properly raised by a party?

CERT. GRANTED: 2/19/02

By order of 2/25/02, limited to questions 1 and 2 presented by the petition.